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Dear Commissioner:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, it is respectfully requested that this Information Disclosure Statement be entered and the references listed on attached Form PTO-1449 be considered by the Examiner and made of record.

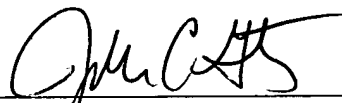
This application claims priority to German Patent Application No. 10328998.4 filed June 27, 2003.

In accordance with the waiver of 37 CFR § 1.98 (a)(2)(i) for submitting a copy of each cited U.S. patent and each U.S. patent application publication for all U.S. national patent applications filed after June 30, 2003, copies of the U.S. patents and patent applications listed on the accompanying Form PTO-1449 are not enclosed.

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